

SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR REMOTE DATA ACQUISITION, MONITORING
AND CONTROL

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A system comprises a remotely situated plurality of sensors that sense
information; a locally situated workstation that receives the information from the
remotely situated plurality of sensors in the form of a set of data; and a Fast Fourier
Transform (FFT) analyzer interfaced with the plurality of sensors and workstation to
10 receive information from the plurality of sensors in the form of time domain data points,
to transform the data points into a lesser number of frequency domain data points to
facilitate transmission as a set of data from the plurality of sensors to the locally situated
workstation. Another system comprises a remotely situated sensor that senses
information; a remotely situated data acquisition system interfaced with the sensor to
15 receive data from the sensor; a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) analyzer interfaced with the
sensor in parallel with the data acquisition system to receive information from the sensor
in the form of time domain data points and to transform the data points into a lesser
number of frequency domain data points to facilitate transmission; and a locally situated
workstation that receives the data from the data acquisition system, that receives the
frequency domain data points from the FFT analyzer and that controls the sensor via
20 input in response to the data and data points. A method comprises remotely monitoring
an operating test object with a plurality of sensors to generate time domain data points;
remotely transforming the time domain data points to frequency domain data points with
a Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) analyzer; and transmitting the frequency domain data
points to a local workstation.